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SUBJECT: LETTER TO SECRETARY OF STATE RICE FROM JM MINISTER
OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE

1. The Embassy received a Diplomatic Note with an accompanying letter from K.D. Knight, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade, requesting it be transmitted to Dr. Condoleezza Rice, Secretary of State.

2. Begin text:

Dr. Condoleezza Rice
Secretary of State

SIPDIS
Washington DC
USA

Dear Secretary of State,

I write to extend my sincere congratulations on your assumption of the post of Secretary of State for the United States of America.

You assume this important responsibility to direct America's foreign policy in a climate filled with immense challenges as well as significant opportunities for the conduct and management of international relations at the bilateral level and in the multilateral arena.

As you would be aware, Jamaica and the United States have over the years maintained a longstanding tradition of cooperation based on our shared values and adherence to the democratic process and rule of law. Within this framework, we have sought to build a cooperative partnership in pursuit of our common interests for sustained development and economic prosperity.

I look forward to meeting with you in the near future and to maintaining regular dialogue and active collaboration between our two countries, as we seek to forge even stronger alliances and implement strategic initiatives aimed at achieving mutually beneficial objectives for peace, stability and the development of our entire hemisphere.

I wish you a rewarding term in office.

Yours sincerely,

K.D. Knight
Minister
End Text.
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